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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2012-0099; Airspace Docket No. 12-ASO-11]

Amendment of Class D Airspace; Cocoa Beach, FL

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule, technical amendment.

SUMMARY: This action amends Class D airspace at Cape Canaveral Skid Strip, Cocoa Beach, FL, by correcting the geographic coordinates of the airport to aid in the navigation of our National Airspace System and by removing the reference of St. Petersburg Automated Flight Service Station from the descriptor. This action enhances the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations for standard instrument approach procedures at the airport.

DATES: Effective 0901 UTC, May 31, 2012. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under title 1, Code of Federal Regulations, part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.9 and publication of conforming amendments

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

The FAA received notice from the National Aeronautical Navigation
Services (NANS) that St. Petersburg Automated Flight Service Station has
closed and its reference should be updated in the descriptor of Cape Canaveral
Skid Strip, Cocoa Beach, FL. Also, the geographic coordinates for the airport
need correcting to coincide with the FAAs aeronautical database.

Class D airspace designations are published in Paragraphs 5000, of FAA Order 7400.9V dated August 9, 2011, and effective September 15, 2011, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR Part 71.1. The Class D airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

This amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 amends Class D airspace at Cocoa Beach, FL. The geographic coordinates of the Cape Canaveral Skid Strip are corrected to coincide with the FAAs aeronautical database and St. Petersburg Automated Flight Service Station will be removed from the descriptor. Accordingly, since this is an administrative change, and does not involve a change in the dimensions or operating requirements of that airspace, notice and public procedures under 5 U.S.C. 553 (b) are unnecessary.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current, is non-controversial and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. It, therefore, (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule"

under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule, when promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority.

This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it establishes and amends controlled airspace at Cape Canaveral Skid Strip, Cocoa Beach FL.

Lists of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71:

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (Air).

Adoption of the Amendment:

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR Part 71 as follows:

PART 71 --DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g); 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

§71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9V, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 9, 2011, and effective September 15, 2011, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace

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ASO FL D Cocoa Beach, FL [Amended]

Cape Canaveral Skid Strip, FL (lat. 28°28'04"N., long. 80°34'01"W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,500 feet MSL within a 4.4-mile radius of the Cape Canaveral Skid Strip. This airspace lies within the confines of R-2932 and is effective on a random basis. The effective days and times are continuously available from Miami Automated Flight Service Station.

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